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FOR: COPOLYESTERS HAVING IMPROVED RETAINED ADHESION

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AMENDMENT

The following is in response to the Office Action mailed September 24, 2002 and the Advisory Action dated January 1, 2003, in the above referenced application. Please amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 43 and 44 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claim 37, as follows:

37. A method of improving the adhesion of copolyesters to polymeric or cellulosic substrates, comprising:

incorporating a low polarity telechelic oligomeric block segment in the copolyester polymer chain wherein